#### **Mission Statement**

October 2022

Guided by the Power of the Holy Spirit, we at FELC experience God through Worship, Learning, Service, and Fellowship.

## A Message from Pastor Lily

"Good morning and welcome to worship at Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church, Walworth, Wi.! I'm Pastor Lily and it is good to be together." These are the words you typically hear from me on Sunday mornings. Within the next few months we will be talking about the "why" question. Why we do this, why we do that, in regards to worship. Last month I chatted about *offering* as we had brought the *receiving of the offering* back to our worships.

And you guessed it, this month we are circling back to the beginning of worship. As for us, we begin the service with the leader introducing themselves, we share some announcements and we step into worship with a time of confession and forgiveness and we sing together. A word that keeps coming to my mind and a word that has already made an appearance in these first couple paragraphs is "together". Togetherness, a word that has been taken from us in a lot of ways the last few years and a word we have modified and created new ways of making it work.

Being able to join together for worship is a blessing and with the added ability of our community online to join us, that's amazing! I also like to say the words, "across time and space we come together..." a reminder that we are in those sacred worship moments with people surrounding us earthside and in the heavenly realm, with our community online and with our God. I hope that if anything has come out of this pandemic, it will be our reminder to live in the moment and not take anything for granted. And yes, God has always been with us worshiping from home, even if our neighbors have not been by our side.

When I spent a year in South Africa through the Lutheran Church, I stayed in a rural Zulu community. The church was the place to be, the place to connect, the place to be present within the big, beautiful Body of Christ much like I hope our experience is as well. Much like for us, church started at "9am" but really nothing started until everyone was there, until the room was filled. Everyone was gathering and chatting until one person started singing and the room became silent, then everyone soon joined in. Then you knew worship had begun. Everyone settled into their communal moment with God at worship. Settling into worship can look different for different people, and that's alright. Worship is done in community as well as within yourselves. God is already present and delights in our worship.

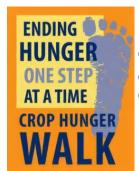
How do you settle into worship? How do we welcome the divine and sacred among us? God is present with us, are we present to God?

Love and Peace, Pastor Lily Brellenthin

If you want to reach me by the pastor phone, call or text at 262-812-3064, or email me at pastor@felcwalworth.com



#### VEGGIE, EGGS, AND A SIDE OF HOPE



The 37th Annual CROP WALK will take place Sunday, October 9th! Registration will be at 12:30 at the Lions Fieldhouse in Williams Bay as in past years. Walks of different lengths and difficulty will be available including wheelchair, walker and stroller options. Please consider helping us raise money for the global fight against hunger; 25% of the money we make goes back to our local food pantries. You can help by either pledging a walker or group of walkers or walk yourself and collect donations. This is an opportunity for every single member of our congregation to get

involved! Packer and Bear fans will not miss any games! More information will be posted and announced at future church services. Feel free to direct questions to our team leader, Susie Schaid (262) 275-6995 or <a href="mailto:slschaid@gmail.com">slschaid@gmail.com</a>

Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these siblings of mine you did for me. ~Matthew 25:40

#### November is Caregiver appreciation month.

Some people choose to be caregivers, and they prepare themselves by becoming professionals in the healthcare industry. Other people have the role of caregiver thrust upon them when family members become old, sick or disabled. Some have no training, and no end of shift. They need heaps of physical and emotional help--and just as important, spiritual help.

Sunday November 13,2022 we will pray for and bless the many wonderful caregivers at Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church and beyond. Is there someone you would like to thank for being a caregiver to you or others? Please notify the church office or fill out a form in the gathering place.

## Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church Service Project

Thank you to everyone who helped with our Free Haircuts for Students project. Our two volunteer stylists cut 17 heads of hair! People were very appreciative and they enjoyed their cuts and gifts. We are planning to do this again next summer/fall. Thank you for your support!





Join us for Worship on Sundays at 9:00 am

#### **Scripture readings for October**

#### Oct. 2: Seventeenth Sunday After Pentecost Oct. 23: Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost

Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Walk in the way of life and hold fast to God

Psalm 37:1-9 Commit your way to the Lord; put your trust in the Lord.

2 Timothy 1:1-14 Guard the treasure entrusted to you: faith and love in Christ Luke 17:5-10 Faith the size of a mustard seed

#### Oct. 9: Eighteenth Sunday After Pentecost

2 Kings 5:1-3, 7-15c Naaman washes in the Jordan and is cleansed

Psalm 111 I will give thanks to the LORD with my whole heart.

2Timothy 2:8-15 If we die with Christ, we will prayers to you in time of trouble live with Christ.

Luke 17:11-19 One leper made clean by Jesus gives thanks to God

#### Oct. 16: Nineteenth Sunday After Pentecost

Genesis 32:22-31 Jacob's struggle with the angel: I'll not let go until you bless me Psalm 121 My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.

2Timothy 3:14--4:5 In the presence of Christ the judge, proclaim the message

**Luke 18:1-8** The widow begs for justice: God grants justice to those who cry to him

Jeremiah 14:7-10, 19-22 Jerusalem will be defeated

Psalm 84:1-7 Happy are the people whose strength is in you.

**2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18** The good fight of faith

**Luke 18:9-14** A pharisee and tax collector pray together

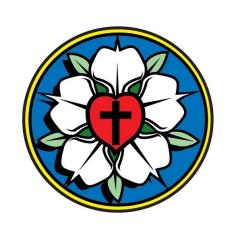
#### Oct. 30: Twenty-First Sunday After Pentecost

Reformation Sunday—Affirmation of Baptism Isaiah 1:10-18 Learn to do good, seek justice, and rescue the oppressed

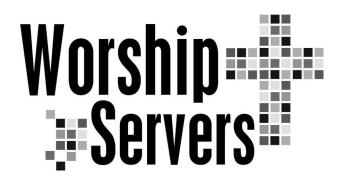
Psalm 32:1-7 All the faithful will make their

2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12 Faith and love amid persecution and adversity

Luke 19:1-10 Zacchaeus climbs into a tree to see Jesus



October 2	9:00 am
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Tracy & Larry V.
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Kristi R.
October 9	9:00 am
Reader	Penny G.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Penny G.
Projector	Liz H.
October 16	9:00 am
Reader	Chad R.
Ushers	John S. & Steve M.
Communion Assist.	Chad R.
Projector	Rebecca R.
October 23	9:00 am
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Pam Ch.
Projector	Barb W.
October 30	9:00 am
Reader	Kristi R.
Ushers	Bruce & Lisa V.
Communion Assist.	Kristi R.
Projector	Tracey S.



November 6	9:00 am
Reader	Pam Ch.
Ushers	Weborg Family
Communion Assist.	Pam Ch.
Projector	Barb W.
November 13	9:00 am
Reader	Rick L.
Ushers	Hemmerich Family
Communion Assist.	Rick L.
Projector	Liz H.
November 20	9:00 am
November 20 Reader	9:00 am Chad R.
Reader	Chad R.
Reader Ushers	Chad R. Bruce & Lisa V.
Reader Ushers Communion Assist.	Chad R. Bruce & Lisa V. Chad R.
Reader Ushers Communion Assist. Projector	Chad R. Bruce & Lisa V. Chad R. Rebecca R.
Reader Ushers Communion Assist. Projector November 27	Chad R. Bruce & Lisa V. Chad R. Rebecca R. 9:00 am
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If you are unable to serve on your schedule date, please try to switch with someone or find a replacement. If you are unable to do so, please contact the church office. Thank you!

Email: office@felcwalworth.com or Phone: 262-275-3445



# Adult Opportunities

#### Spiritual Reflections

Spiritual Reflections is an intimate church service that takes place monthly at Sugar Creek Lutheran Church, N5690 Cobblestone Rd Elkhorn, WI. The service features familiar hymns, Bible passages and Communion presented in a calm, caring environment. The next service is October 20, 2022 at 4:00pm.



Our next Lunch Bunch will be Tuesday, October 18 at noon. EVERYONE is welcome. No need to bring anything, all food is provided.

Worship Committee: Next meeting Tuesday, October 11 at 6:00pm

## Women ELCA



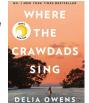
#### Wednesdays at 9:15am

Join us in the Gathering Space for conversation and Christian fellowship.



#### Tuesday, October 4 at 7:00pm

We will be discussing the first section of Where the Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens.



All women are welcome to join us! Feel free to invite your friends. It is okay to come even if you did not get a chance to read the book!

Contact Rebecca Roehl for more information, or just come on October 4



Join us for Quilt Making and Christian Fellowship





## Children & Youth Opportunities



Next meeting: TBD
Watch for details to come

CHAOS is for *all* high school students.

If you would like to be added to our group text, contact Rebecca at (608) 728-2798

Follow CHAOS on Instagram. @chaos\_felc



#### **Faith Formation and Confirmation**

(ages 3 - 6th grade)

(7th - 9th grade)

- Wednesdays September 21st May 17th
  - Meal 5:30 pm
  - Class 6:00 pm
  - Worship 6:55 pm

Register online www.felcwalworth.com/education

We welcome all students at anytime!

The Confirmation class is going to Hephatha Lutheran Church in Milwaukee, WI on Sunday, October 2 to worship with, learn from, and serve a meal to the Hephatha community. Donations are needed to help with the cost of the meal. Donations can be made throughout the month of October. Donations can be placed in the offering plate, please note "Hephatha" on the donation. Thank you for your help and support!!

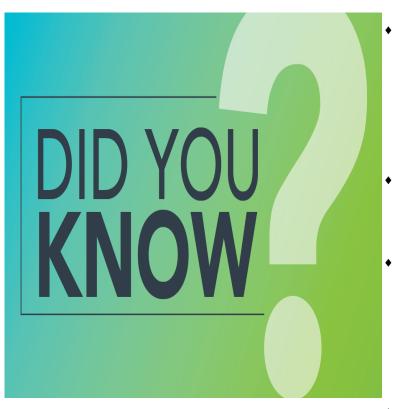


Affirmation of Baptism Service October 30, 2022

Join us as we celebrate the Confirmation of Brody Kynell.

Congregation members are encouraged to bring cards to show love and encouragement for Brody. Cards can be brought to church on Sunday, October 30 or delivered to the church office anytime during the month of October.

Thank you for supporting this wonderful young man!



# Thank You

- ◆ To Bob Ball, Addi Butke, Tanya Butke, Rochelle Freymiller, Peter Kahl, Barb Nordmeyer, and Rachel West who have volunteered their Wednesday nights to be a part of the Faith Formation of our young people.
- To Laurie Collins for orchestrating our Dementia Friendly Church initiative and the Free Haircuts for Students project.
- To Susie Schaid for all her work with the Crop Walk.

The new Christ in Our Home, a daily devotional, is available for pick up in the Gathering Space. These devotions are a great way to center your day in your faith. They are free to you from the church. Please pick one up and enjoy!

- Come this January there will be three openings on our church council. One of those positions will be treasurer. Please prayerfully consider serving your church community in this way. For more information about what it means to be on council, please see any current council member or call the church office.
- October 30 is Reformation Sunday. This is the Sunday when we celebrate the birth of the Lutheran church.
   Wear red to help celebrate.
- Faith Formation students are once again sharing a meal before class. Congregation members are needed to help prep, serve and clean-up. Consider taking one Wednesday and helping with this important ministry. Contact Rebecca Roehl, or sign-up in the Gathering Space.
- Our featured image of Jesus for October is Jewish
  Jesus, The Sacred Heart by Lukman. Look for it on the
  bulletin board in the Gathering Space.
- We are partnering with Walworth Jt. School District #1
  in their "Better Together" campaign to help support
  the school as they continue to pursue the "best
  education for all"!
- If you'd like to meet with Pastor Lily, please reach out to schedule a time. Otherwise, the best time to just stop in is usually Tuesdays from about 10 am - 1 pm.
- Articles for the November newsletter should be turned into the church office by October 20th.
- Please keep the church office updated if you have an new address, phone number, or email.

We are looking for a new administrative assistant. If you are interested, or have a recommendation of someone who might be good in this position, please contact Pastor Lily. The hours of this position will be Tuesday-Friday 9am-noon.



**Prayers for Continued Healing:** The family and friends of Peter Novak (Lisa Voss' dad), Karla Tildahl, Emily and Bobby Giannini and newborn twins (Susie and Terry Schaid's daughter and husband and grandchildren).

**Prayers for the World:** We pray for people affected by the recent hurricanes, for the victims of gun violence, and for our neighbors experiencing hunger and homelessness.

\*If you would like anyone to be included, please call the church office 262-275-3445 or email office@felcwalworth.com. Thank you!

# Working to become Dementia Friendly

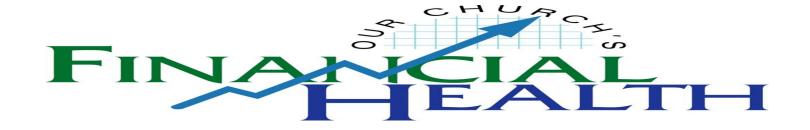
#### **Neighbors Helping Neighbors**

Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church has completed the training to become a dementia friendly church. We will now be on a list of Dementia Friendly Churches in Walworth County. Our work is not done; however, being a church that is open, accessible and welcoming to all requires constant reflection and continued education and assessment. If you are interested in more information about this please contact the church office.

Celebrate *Pastor Appreciation Month* by bringing in a card of appreciation for Pastor Lily any Sunday in October.

Please join us for a special *Coffee And...* reception featuring delicious pies on Sunday, October 16 following worship.





### Monthly Financial Report August 31, 2022

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<sup>\*</sup> Includes changes in non-cash assets, current liabilities, and restricted transfers

Checking Account Balance, August 31, 2022

#### **Unrestricted Cash Balance**

7,212

Checking Account	7,212	
Mission Investment Fund***	103,256	
Endowment Fund (Fund A)	<u>282,166</u>	
Subtotal	392,734	
Less: Memorials/Dedications/Restricted Cash		<u>15,840</u>
Unrestricted Cash Balance		376,894

#### **Year to Date Information**

	<u>Budget</u>	<u> Actual</u>
From Members to General Fund (Through August 31, 2022) **	71,191	74,208
Total Expenses	121,344	100,792

#### Memorial/Dedicated/Restricted Information

Balance, August 1, 2022 New Dedicated	14,839
Designated by Contributor WELCA Youth Group	1,655 526 (706)

Balance, August 31, 2022 15,840

<sup>\*\*</sup> Includes monthly and specific donations



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#### Church Office Hours:

Monday: Closed Tuesday—Friday: 9 am - Noon

#### Staff

Pastor Lily Brellenthin

Pastor cell phone: 262-812-3064

Email: pastor@felcwalworth.com

Rebecca Roehl, Director of Children, Youth, and Family Ministries *Email:* education@felcwalworth.com *Call or text*: 608-728-2798

#### Congregation Council 2022

#### Executive Team

Rick Lottig- President Kristi Reierson - Vice President Penny Gruetzmacher - Secretary Bill Clark - Treasurer

Congregation Council meetings are held at 6:30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month.

All are welcome to attend.

#### Council Members

Laurie Collins
Gail Connelly
Liz Hemmerich
Karen Martinez
Susie Schaid
Karlie and Kelsie Kroening, Co-Youth Representatives



# Faith Evangelical Lutheran Church



October

*Telephone*: 262-275-3445 *Email*: office@felcwalworth.com

Church Office Hours: Tuesday –Friday 9am—Noon

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 9:00 am Worship Service	3	4 9:00 am Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Wine & Word	5 9:15 am Together Time 10:00am Faith Sew-ers 5:30pm Faith Formation 6:55pm Worship	9	7	8
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